NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION ALEXANDER COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

A primary election will be held on June 7, 2016 in Alexander County to vote on the candidates for the offices of:

Republican Ballot –US House of Representatives, 5th District; NC Supreme Court Associate Justice Democratic Ballot – US House of Representatives, 5th District; NC Supreme Court Associate Justice Non-Partisan Ballot- NC Supreme Court Associate Justice

Most voters will be asked to present acceptable photo identification when presenting to vote in person at the polls, with exceptions for voters who are unable to obtain acceptable photo identification, have a religious objection to being photographed, or are victims of a natural disaster. The acceptable forms of photo identification are a NC Driver's License or DMV-issued Identification Card (expired up to four years), US Passport or Passport Card (unexpired), Military ID Card or Veterans Affairs ID Card (unexpired, if there is an expiration date), and certain Tribal Enrollment Cards. VOTERS WHO ARE UNABLE TO OBTAIN ONE OF THESE FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION MAY STILL VOTE IF THEIR INABILITY IS DUE TO A REASONABLE IMPEDIMENT such as a lost or stolen ID, lack of transportation, illness or disability, a lack of proper documents, work schedule, and others. These voters may vote a provisional ballot after completing a Reasonable Impediment Declaration and providing an alternate form of identification or the last four digits of their social security number and their date of birth. Acceptable alternate forms of identification for voters who complete a Reasonable Impediment Declaration include their voter registration card or a current utility bill, paycheck, government check, bank statement, or other government document bearing the voter's name and current address. Alternative voting options are available for voters who do not present acceptable photo identification for a reason other than a reasonable impediment to obtaining one. Voters who use curbside voting may also present one of the alternative forms of identification described above. No identification is required to vote an absentee ballot by mail. Free Identification Cards for registered voters are available from the NC DMV. For assistance with obtaining acceptable photo identification for voting or for more information on exceptions and alternative voting options, contact the NC State Board of Elections voter outreach team toll-free at 1-866-522-4723 or visit www.VoterID.nc.gov.

Polls will be open from 6:30 am to 7:30 pm on Election Day. One-Stop Absentee voting will be at the Alexander County Board of Elections Office, located at 370 1st Avenue, SW, Taylorsville, beginning on Thursday, May 26, and Friday, May 27, 2016, from 8 am to 5 pm, Tuesday through Friday, May 31 through June 3, 2016, and on Saturday, June 4, 2016, from 8 am until 1 pm. Canvass Day will be held in the Alexander County Board of Elections office on June 14, 2016.

Absentee ballots are allowed. Requests for an absentee ballot must be made on a State Board of Elections Absentee Request Form, available at the County Board of Elections office and received in the Alexander County Board of Elections office by 5 pm on May 31, 2016. Completed absentee ballots must be returned to the Alexander County Board of Elections by 5 pm on June 7, 2016 or postmarked on June 7, 2016.

All residents of Alexander County who are registered to vote with the Alexander County Board of Elections may vote in this election. **Voters who are previously registered need not re-register for**

ELECTION. Unaffiliated voters will be given a choice of ballot at the polling places. Those residents of **Alexander County** who are not registered to vote must register on or before Friday, May 13, 2016 in order to be eligible to vote on Election Day. Those voters who are not registered by Friday, May 13, 2016 may register and vote <u>during one stop early voting only</u>, and will be required to provide documentation of their identity and residence. Voters who wish to change their party affiliation or who have changed their name or address must notify the Board of Elections in writing by Friday, May 13, 2016. Voters who fail to notify the Board of Elections of a change to their name or address must update their information when presenting to vote, and may be required to vote a provisional ballot.

Voters who require assistance with casting their ballot are entitled to assistance by an appropriate person of their choice or an election official. Registration facilities and polling places are accessible to the elderly and handicapped. Curbside voting is available for voters who are not physically able to enter the polling place.

The Alexander County Board of Elections will meet in the office of the Alexander County Board of Elections located at 370 1st Avenue SW, Taylorsville, on the 7th day of June, 2016 at 2:00 pm for the purpose of counting absentee ballots pertaining to the Primary Election in the County of Alexander, North Carolina. Any voter of the county may attend this meeting and observe the counting. The results of the absentee ballot count will not be announced before the close of the polls on June 7, 2016.

Persons with questions about registration, absentee voting, one-stop voting sites, location of polling places, and other election matters may call the Alexander County Board of Elections at (828) 632-2990 Monday through Friday.

ALEXANDER COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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